

REMARKS

Claims 8-13 and 17-20 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required an election of species in the present application among the species of hydrogen bond accepting groups as in claims 9, 10, 17 and 20. Applicants hereby elect the species of hydrogen bond accepting groups of "nitrogen-containing heterocyclic group" among the hydrogen bond accepting groups recited in claim 9.

Claims 9, 11-13 and 17-19 are subgeneric and specifically recite this species as part of a Markush group. Claims 10 and 20 recite particular "nitrogen-containing heterocyclic group[s]" and so also read upon this species. The Examiner may begin search with the imidazolidine group as a sub-species of the elected species if that further election is also necessary.

Claim 8 is generic.

CONCLUSION

Favorable action on the merits of the application is respectfully requested. Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark Nuell, Registration No 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☒ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☒ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for

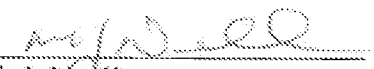
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any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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